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DEQ to announce 2005 Keep America Beautiful Awards

BATON ROUGE -- The Department of Environmental Quality will announce the 2005 Keep America Beautiful award winners on Aug. 26 at the Doubletree Inn in New Orleans.

The awards are for organizations that have developed outstanding programs in Litter Prevention, Beautification and Community Improvement, Waste Reduction and Law Enforcement. The Dianne Chandler Award, given to a citizen who has raised public awareness about environmental issues, will also be awarded.

Nonprofit, civic, community organizations, youth and youth groups, schools, government agencies, and business/professional organizations are eligible for awards.

A panel judged nominations on topics including execution of the program, community improvement and results.

“Keep Louisiana Beautiful Awards offer the chance to acknowledge the efforts of communities and organizations across the state and to say ‘thank you’ for making a personal commitment to such a great cause,” said Pam Kimball, state leader for Keep Louisiana Beautiful with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality.

For more information regarding the awards program, contact Pam Kimball with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, at (225) 219-3271.

For more information regarding the conference, contact Leigh Harris with Keep Louisiana Beautiful, Inc., at (225) 752-7446